

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
MISSOULA DIVISION

DANIELLE SCHULZ,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MOUNTAIN WEST FARM BUREAU  
MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,  
WESTERN FARM BUREAU SERVICE  
COMPANY, INC., FARM BUREAU  
LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a  
subsidiary of FBL FINANCIAL GROUP,  
INC., ABC Corporations 1-5, and JOHN  
DOES 1-5,

Defendants.

CV 20-88-M-DLC

ORDER

On February 1, 2021, this Court granted Defendants Mountain West Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company and Western Farm Bureau Service Company, Inc.'s Motion to Compel. (Doc. 34.) Pursuant to the Court's scheduling order (Doc. 25) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37, the Court indicated that it would award reasonable attorneys' fees to Defendants as the prevailing party upon receipt of an affidavit detailing counsels' time spent on its motion to compel. (Doc. 34 at 13 n.2.) On February 9, 2021, Defendants' counsel Brianne McClafferty submitted an affidavit indicating that she and attorney Bradley Cave spent a total of 12 hours preparing Defendants' briefs and reviewing Plaintiff Danielle Schultz's response

brief. (Doc. 35-1 at 2.) Based on each attorneys' hourly rate, this totals \$3,244.00 in attorneys' fees. (*Id.* at 3.)

The Court has reviewed the affidavit and is convinced that the time spent on this matter and the hourly rate of each attorney is reasonable. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants, as the prevailing party, are entitled to \$3,244.00, which shall be paid within 15 days of receipt of this order.

DATED this 10th day of February, 2021.



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Dana L. Christensen, District Judge  
United States District Court